

DFTM Early Warning System Database

Download and Configuration

Get Files from Website:

Go to the website <http://www.fs.usda.gov/goto/r6/fhp/dftm-database> and select the link to **Download the Database**. Choose to save the compressed .zip file to your computer or other location.

Navigate to the file and open or extract the contents. It should contain the 6 files listed below. (Note: Depending on your operating system and software, you may need to install WinZip or a similar program to extract the .zip file)

Files Included in Download:

download.pdf
dftm_ews.accdb
datadictionary.pdf
plotnumbering.pdf
instructions.pdf
contacts.pdf

Software Needed:

Microsoft Access 2010

Configure Microsoft Access Settings (USDA-FS Users only):

The default settings on most USDA-FS computers will block the use of Microsoft Access databases until the folder where the database is stored is designated as a “trusted location.” To do this, perform the following steps:

- Open Microsoft Access 2010
- Choose **File** then **Options** under the Help menu
- Select **Trust Center** then the **Trust Center Settings** button
- Select **Trusted Locations** then the **Add New Location** button
- Select the **Browse** button and navigate to the folder containing the Access database (Optional: Check box to select **Subfolders of this location are also trusted**)
- Select **OK** to return to the Trusted Locations window and this should now include the folder that you selected
- Select **OK** to close the Trust Center and Access Options windows

You should now be able to use Microsoft Access databases within the folder you selected.

Open the DFTM Early Warning System Database:

Navigate to the folder where the database was stored and select the **dftm_ews.accdb** file.

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